The present amendment is submitted in response to the outstanding Office Action dated

November 26, 2004, and is believed to be fully responsive to the objections and rejections and

raised therein.

Claims 3, 4, 11, 16-18 and 21 are pending in the present application.

In paragraph 1 of the Office Action, the specification was objected to as failing to provide

proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter. In particular, the Examiner noted that the

recitation "receiving said one or more first preamble information bits after detecting said one

initial detection sequence: receiving said one or more second preamble information bits after

detection said one unique word," recited in claim 1 does not have proper antecedent basis in the

specification.

In response, the specification has been amended as shown above to provide proper

antecedent basis. Applicant submits that paragraph 79 of the specification already provided such

antecedent basis, but the language from the claims has been added for clarity. Applicant submits

that no new matter has been added.

In paragraph 2 of the Office Action, claims 3, 4, and 11 were objected to for minor

informalities. In response, claims 3, 4, and 11 have been amended in accordance with the

Examiner's suggestion.

In paragraph 4 of the Office Action, claim 3 was rejected under the judicially created

doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1 of U.S. Patent No. 6,373,899. In

response, submitted herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer disclaiming the portion of any patent

issuing from the present application that extends beyond the term of U.S. Patent No. 6,373,899.

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Finally, Applicant notes that despite filing a revocation and power of attorney in the

present application on November 8, 2002, correspondence is still being sent to the offices of the

prior attorney of record. Consequently, submitted herewith is a supplemental revocation of

power of attorney and new power of attorney.

In view of the foregoing amendments and comments, Applicant submits that all the

remaining claims are in condition for allowances. Favorable consideration on the merits is

respectfully requested.

The present amendment is submitted within the three-month period for response.

Applicant hereby petitions for any other extensions of time which may be required and the Patent

Office is authorized to charge deposit account number 19-0733 any fees necessary to maintain

the pendency in the present application except for the Issue Fee. If any issues remain which can

thus be solved by a personal call or a telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to

contact the undersigned attorney at the local telephone number listed below.

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